



What would you do if you knew a child was hungry? What would you do to save it from cold and crime?

THE Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association appeals to the BIG HEARTS of London for sorely-needed funds for the Children's Aid Society, that mother of the friendless child, which finds itself unable to keep up with the demands made upon it. Twenty thousand dollars is the aim of the campaign.

The travellers rise to champion the battle of the homeless and neglected children for existence. The Knights of the Grip, keen observers, men of heart and love for the down-trodden and helpless, know as few people know the seamy side of life and the demands that are worthy upon charity's purse.

These men put their seal upon the Children's Aid Society because it has stood the test of time in salvaging juvenile lives from amongst the driftwood of society. Many a man and woman getting along in the world today, happy and contented, proving good citizens in every respect, were once wards of the society.

Many a child that was headed straight down the stream of life for the whirlpool of crime has been thrown a line by the Children's Aid and brought back to the world of better things. And it's happening every day.

This is Christmas time. The spirit of goodwill and charity grows daily. The picture rises before us of that little child wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger in a stable in Bethlehem nearly twenty centuries ago.

Since that time the appeal of the child has never fallen on deaf ears. The travellers are making their appeal to you now for the homeless and neglected children.

Saturday they will leave in every home in London an envelope, in which the BIG HEARTS may place their donations for the kiddies. Sunday they will call and collect them.

"Stretch It a Little"

Trudging along the slippery street,
Two childish figures, with aching feet,
And hands benumbed by the biting cold,
Were rudely jostled by young and old,
Hurrying homeward at close of day,
Over the city's broad highway.

"Come under my coat," said little Nell,
As tears ran down Joe's cheeks, and fell
On her own thin fingers, stiff and cold.
"Tain't very big, but I think 'twill hold
Both you and me, if I only try
To stretch it a little. So now don't cry!"

The garment was small, and tattered and thin,
But Joe was lovingly folded in,
Close to the heart of Nell, who knew
That stretching the coat for the needs of two
Would double the warmth, and halve the pain
Of the cutting wind and the icy rain.

"Stretch it a little!" O girls and boys!
In homes o'erflowing with comforts and joys,
See how far you can make them reach,
Your helpful deeds and your loving speech.
Your gifts of service and gifts of gold;
Let them stretch to kiddies manifold.

Remember the Kiddies Next Sunday!

LACK OF QUORUM HOLDS UP RAILROAD MEASURE

Washington, D.C., Dec. 8.—Passage of the Cummins railroad bill by the Senate was prevented today by a demand of Senator La Follette (Republican, Wisconsin) for a quorum. Senate leaders predicted, however, that the measure, designed to meet conditions incident to the return of the railroads to private control and operation, would pass the Senate within a day or two.

MINISTERS CONFER.

London, Dec. 8.—Vittorio Scialoja, the Italian minister of foreign affairs, held a lengthy conference at the foreign office today with Earl Curzon, the foreign minister.

IS IT SLEEP SICKNESS?

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 8.—A man has been admitted to the infectious diseases hospital with what the physicians in attendance diagnose to be sleeping sickness.

CIVIL SERVANTS ASK THAT BONUSES BE IN INVERSE PROPORTION TO SALARIES

Toronto, Dec. 8.—A Christmas bonus is being looked for by the Ontario civil servants, and a deputation representing them today waited on Hon. Peter Smith, provincial treasurer, with regard to the matter.

The civil servants were given a bonus by the Hearst Government, but considerable dissatisfaction was expressed by many, especially those receiving small salaries, who got a correspondingly low grant, that the appropriation was not fairly dealt out. They are now asking that the federal system of the lower salary the larger the bonus and the higher the pay the smaller the bonus, be applied.

There are approximately 1,400 employees at the Parliament Buildings, and fixing an average of \$200 each, \$280,000 would be required, and then there is the outside service to be reckoned with.

MAYOR OF WINNIPEG TELLS OF INCIDENTS OF GENERAL STRIKE

Declares Intimidation Was Used—Fought Mob With His Walking Stick.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 8.—Mayor Gray, testifying at the trial of R. B. Russell this afternoon, said he issued a proclamation declaring the riot act in force. He said that after the riot he had attempted to overcome the large amount of intimidation that was going on.

Mr. Andrews read two heads from the Western Labor News, "The Mayor Goes Crazy."

Explaining this incident, Mayor Gray stated that Mayor Howard had been arrested. This officer, said the mayor, for want of space to enter in the compilation of the British official history of the war revealed the fact that the records of the Canadian army were made by about fifteen officers and 350 other ranks, who were called to a conference in Argyle House, London, regarding the matter. The mayor said that the trouble appeared to be that the record clerks actually responsible had been demobilized. They were not recalled to give the explanations that would appear to have been necessary.

He said it is not fair to state that those now employed on this work were not actually engaged at Rouen in keeping the records which are complained of.

Some time ago the first Canadian division and the P. E. O. L. I. are the battalions over which the records were kept. The records of the latter regiment show fourteen men struck off the strength from France. The mayor said that these same men are believed never to have arrived. There does not seem to be any record of their arrival as to their stay in England, and as a result they cannot be accounted for.

The discovery of this incident was just recently made, and the records corrected.

A case in the 8th Battalion occurred of a man being killed in action in the fall of 1917. Reports were made to the general headquarters at Rouen by the friends of the deceased man were not notified until many months after. This, of course, was rectified, so far as records were concerned, which was every unit of the first infantry division serious mistakes have been made and never rectified, and the matter referred to above is the result.

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Mr. Gray said in my life I have never seen greater intimidation than during the strike. As a matter of fact, a certain amount of this intimidation exists as yet.

Canadian Army Records Are In Awful Muddle

Actual Number of Men Who Served in France Cannot Be Ascertained.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—Despite the fact that two officers, two warrant officers and about twenty N.C.O.'s of the Canadian army have been continuously on the job for the last ten months trying to discover the actual number of Canadians who served in France, the work has not yet been completed, and from information received, it would seem that an agreement as to the actual numbers will not be reached.

A request from the war office to the militia department about one year ago for exact figures to be entered in the compilation of the British official history of the war revealed the fact that the records of the Canadian army were made by about fifteen officers and 350 other ranks, who were called to a conference in Argyle House, London, regarding the matter. The mayor said that the trouble appeared to be that the record clerks actually responsible had been demobilized. They were not recalled to give the explanations that would appear to have been necessary.

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GERMANY IS WARNED FOR THE LAST TIME BY SUPREME COUNCIL

Protocol Must Be Signed Without Further Delay.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The supreme council's note dealing with the peace treaty were delivered to Baron von Lersner, head of the German delegation, this evening.

The first note denies the German demands for modification of the treaty on the surrender of Germany charged with crimes against international warfare and the return of prisoners. It agrees to consider the economic effects on Germany of the indemnities required for the sinking of the warships in the Scapa flow in a spirit of equity after a hearing by the reparations commission.

The note warns Germany "for the last time" that denunciation of the armistice would give the allies arms all latitude for necessary military measures, and adds:

"In this spirit we await without delay signature of the protocol and the exchange of ratifications."

Regarding the coercion clause of the protocol, the supreme council considers that the signature of the protocol and ratification will make the treaty effective, and the protocol's execution will be guaranteed by the general terms of the treaty and by ordinary recognized methods. It rejects the German "pretended right" to modification of the treaty clauses as compensation for the absence of Americans from the commissions. It declares that "it is in vain for Germany to seek to delay" the treaty's effectiveness because of the position of the Americans with regard to the commissions.

The second note deals entirely with the Scapa flow incident. It places the responsibility on the Germans for the sinking, and sees in the protest "only an attempt, difficult to explain, to delay the treaty."

The note cites the secret message of the chief of the German admiralty (Admiral von Trotha) to Admiral von Reuter, in command of the German crews on the Scapa flow ships, dated May 23, telling him that the fleet's disposition "cannot be decided without us; it will be decided by us and delivery to the enemy avoided."

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LORD JELlicoe ASKS WOMEN TO IMPRESS NAVY'S IMPORTANCE

Suggests They Educate First Their Menfolk, Then Youth of Canada.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—In a ceremony lasting less than half an hour, Viscount Admiral Jellicoe and Lady Jellicoe this afternoon received a civic welcome in the city hall. An address from the city was read by Mayor Church, paying a tribute to the British navy and mercantile marine. Admiral Jellicoe expressed his thanks for Toronto's kindness and hospitality to Lady Jellicoe and himself.

The pleasant affair at the city hall was followed by a reception to the visitors at Convocation Hall, given by the Women's Canadian Club of this city. Admiral Jellicoe addressed the ladies. He suggested that they educate first their men folk and then the youth of Canada in the potential value of sea force for Canada. "Bring home to your male kind," said the admiral, "that nothing should ever assail our sea communication. Sea transportation must be borne on ships, but Great Britain should not bear it all the ships might belong to Canada, New Zealand or other portions of the Empire."

A visit to the University of Toronto was included in the afternoon's program of Lord and Lady Jellicoe.

The admiral was dined at the Toronto Club this evening, and Lady Jellicoe was a guest at a dinner party in another part of the Toronto Club at the same time, her hostesses being the executive of the National Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire.

Admiral and Lady Jellicoe left tonight for Montreal.

DRESDEN MAN LEADS BEEF GROWERS' ASSN.

Chatham, Dec. 8.—Harry J. French of Dresden was elected president of the Ontario Beef Growers' Association here last Saturday at the annual meeting of the association; Leo O'Neill vice-president, and J. L. Dougherty treasurer.

The following directors were also named: For Kent County, A. E. Pickard, D. L. McCarty, W. J. Coats, A. James and A. McDonald; for Essex, Ducharme and Blair; for Lambton, L. Oakes, M.P.C., Harry Gilroy; Waterloo County, Messrs. Shantz and Shecker.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 8.—Trial of Truman H. Newberry, of Detroit, United States senator from Michigan, and 134 others indicted on charges of fraud and corruption in connection with Mr. Newberry's election in 1918, will begin before District Judge Clarence W. Sessions in federal court here on January 27. The date was agreed upon by Judge Sessions and attorneys representing the defendants immediately after completion of arraignment on day, when the senator and 24 of his principal campaign leaders stood mute and plead of not guilty were directed by the court.

All the so-called principals were released from jail on \$10,000 each on one indictment and \$5,000 on another.

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BLIZZARDS AND SEVERE COLD ADD TO MISERY DUE TO COAL SHORTAGE

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Central and western states, where scores of towns have reported that they virtually are without coal, tonight are experiencing extremely low temperatures and heavy snowfalls.

Railroad officials in Nebraska reported that the worst storm in years was sweeping over the state, with train service to the west, between Burlington and Quincy, between Lincoln and Denver at a standstill.

The southwest tonight is in the grip of a gathering blizzard with the mercury falling rapidly in Missouri, Kansas, eastern Colorado and parts of Oklahoma and Texas.

DEWART IS CRITICAL OF METHODS OF MINISTER

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Bartley H. Dewart, K.C. M.P., leader of the Liberal party in Ontario, has addressed a letter to Hon. Beniah Bowman, minister of lands and forests regarding timber cutting rights on an area east of Collingwood.

He protests that there is a short time allowed tendering and a failure to advertise.

"The mere sending out of circular letters by a deputy minister to crown lands agents is not a method of advertising that can be approved," he says.

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MAN AND WOMAN HELD FOR MURDER OF CHILD IN N. J.

Hammon, N.J., Dec. 8.—Charles S. White, next door neighbor of the Dansey family, was arrested today charged with the murder of "Billy" Dansey, Mrs. Edith L. Jones, housekeeper of Councillor Edward H. White, father of Charles S. White, was also arrested.

The body of three-year-old "Billy" Dansey was found by a hunter in a swamp near here on November 21. The little boy had disappeared from his home some weeks previous and a nation-wide search had been conducted for him on the theory that kidnappers were responsible for his vanishing.

White is the father of "Charles" White, who was a playmate of "Billy" Dansey. Edmund G. Gessell, county prosecutor, declared tonight that he had sufficient evidence to show that the boy was murdered and to clear up the mystery surrounding his death.

DEAD MAN BELIEVED TO BE A BRITISH BARONET

Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 8.—A man believed to be Sir John Grenville Lewis Temple, Bart., died in Victoria Hospital here from pneumonia. He was a member of the Mounted Police, which he joined at Regina in 1902. He was very recent concerning his family in England. He was 53 years of age, and it is said was once possessed of a considerable fortune, which he lost in the United States before joining the police force as a constable.